

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department of Public Safety

HB Section(s): 08.030

Program Name: Public Safety Officers Line of Duty Death (LODD)

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Funding for the Fallen

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

The Public Safety Officers Line of Duty Death (LODD) program aligns with the DPS Workforce Development theme in promoting and supporting the well-being of planners, responders and caregivers involved in traumatic events and providing resources to mission focused teams.

1b. What does this program do?

The Department of Public Safety administers financial assistance to the spouses, children or other dependents of any Missouri law enforcement officer, paramedic, emergency medical technician, corrections officer, and/or firefighters who have lost their lives performing their duties. Deaths from natural causes, illnesses, or injuries are outside the program's scope. *Note: This fund formerly provided funds to non-profit organizations to disburse. Under the current appropriation, the department administers the fund.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.

The Department Public Safety's Crime Victim Services Unit manages the Fallen fund. DPS obtains point of contact information from the fallen service workers' department and then proceeds to contact the eligible survivor to explain the Fallen available benefits. Since the appropriation change, there have been 3 LODD's and 3 payments to eligible survivors.

2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.

Prior to any funds being disbursed, a Line of Duty Death Statement from the worker's employers must be received by DPS. The order of priority for benefit disbursement is generally as follows: spouse, child, or other dependent. The DPS Director retains discretion to award benefits to any eligible survivor.

2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.

The impact of the benefit spans the entire state as it applies to any public safety worker meeting the criteria mentioned in above; provided a Line of Duty Death Statement is received by DPS.

2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

Within 30 days of confirming the death was in the line of duty, a check for \$2,500 will be delivered to the eligible survivor. For the 3 LODD's covered, the check was issued within 30 days of confirming the death was in the line of duty.

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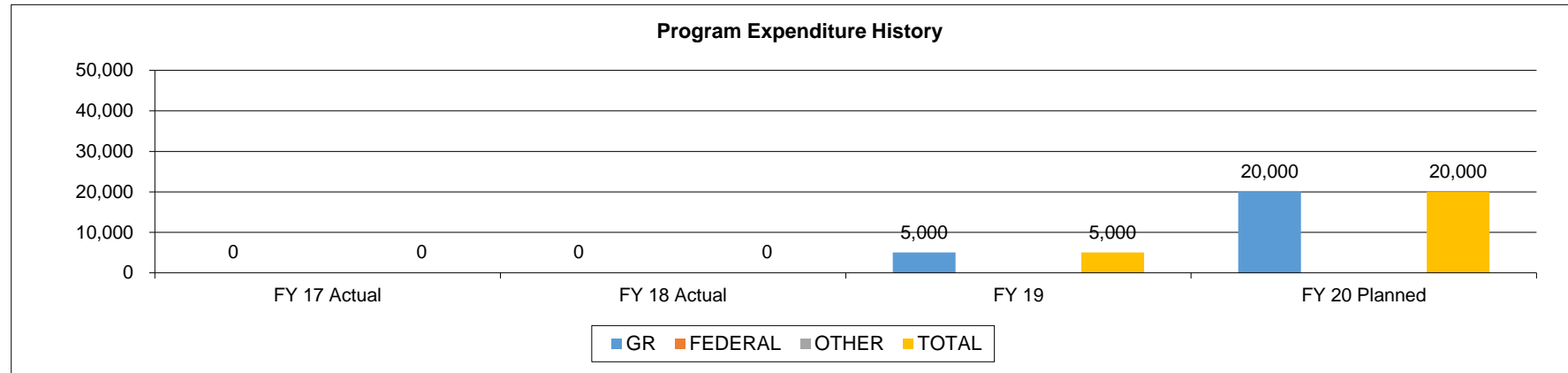
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



***NOTE:** The expenditures only reflect payments disbursed directly by DPS to survivors.

4. What are the sources of the “Other” funds?

None.

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

House Bill #8, 2019; to appropriate funds for the Department of Public Safety, Section 08.030.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

n/a

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

n/a